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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Office of the Speaker seeks a designer for the *Diné Medal of Honor* medallion

**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – The Honorable Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan (Iyanbito/Pinedale) is pleased to announce that the Office of the Speaker and the 21st Navajo Nation Council are requesting proposals from Navajo artisans to design a medallion called the *Diné Nation Medal of Honor*. This medallion will be for Diné (Navajo) Warriors who have served and who are currently serving in the military.

On July 16, 2007, the 21st Navajo Nation Council authorized $75,000 to pay for the design of this medallion and have now moved forward to complete this project.

Leila Help-Tulley, Legislative Staff Assistant with the Office of the Speaker, has been assigned this project and is coordinating the solicitation for designers.

Help-Tulley explained that as part of the contract, $5,000 of this allocation will be utilized to pay for the administrative cost for advertising and for activity cost associated with the unveiling of the art work for the medallion, once it is completed.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) is being issued in the amount of $70,000 for the design of the medallion.

Advertisements for the RFP will be posted in the Navajo Times for a two-week period starting on Jan. 21 and will also be printed in the Gallup Independent for a seven day run as well. The Office of the Speaker will also post the RFP on the Navajo Nation Council website, [www.navajonationcouncil.org](http://www.navajonationcouncil.org), starting on Jan. 21 and will be removed on March 5.

For more information about the Request for Proposals, contact Leila Help-Tulley with the Office of the Speaker at 928-871-7160 or you may fax proposals to 928-871-7255.

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